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*MEMORANDUM***ORIGINAL**

To: Richard Gilbert  
From: Bill Brattin, Mary Goldade  
cc: Bonnie Lavelle, Dave Christensen  
Date: 10/28/99  
Subj: Review of Proposed Statistical Approach at VBI70

Dick:

Thanks for agreeing to help us review the statistical approach the we think may be helpful in evaluating the need for further sampling at properties that were previously investigated during Phase I and Phase II at the VBI70 site. You should have already received the document that presents the proposed method.

We would like you to evaluate this proposed method and then write us a brief letter or memo report than addresses the following specific questions:

1. Is the proposed approach scientifically and statistically valid? If not, what is the fatal flaw?
2. If the approach is basically valid, is there any significant additional work that needs to be done to justify and validate the method? If so, what do you recommend?

As you are aware, our current funding mechanism for involving you in this task expires at the end of Friday, October 29, so all efforts you expend performing this task must be billed before the end of Friday. We anticipate that the level of effort should probably be about 8 hours. If you feel this is not sufficient, please advise one of us immediately. If there is significant follow-up work (i.e., beyond the review of the proposed approach) where your support is needed, we will seek to arrange for that under a different contract vehicle. Please do not hesitate to call either of us if you have any questions during your review.

Thanks for the help